GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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EXPANSION OF CIVIL AVIATION INFRASTRUCTURE
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to undertake certain projects t o undertake certain projects for expanding and strengthening infrastructure network of Civil Aviation in Andhra Pradesh and Uttaranchal during the current and next financial years;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith amount involved in each project, year-wise; and

(c) the benefits likely to accrue therefrom?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK)

(a), (b) & (c) :- Yes, Sir. In Andhra Pradesh, strengthening of runway for operation of wide-bodied jet aircraft with minimum load penalty has been taken up at Hyderabad airport at a cost of Rs.70 crores and the work is likely to be completed during 2004-05. After completion, more number of airlines will get the benefit to operate their aircraft with less pay load penalty.

Action has already been initiated for construction of a new runway of 10,000 feet length, civil and naval apron alongwith ground lighting facilities and Instrument Landing System(ILS) at Visakhapatnam airport at an estimated cost ofRs.158 crores jointly by Indian Navy, Airports Authority of India and State Government of Andhra Pradesh. After completion, wide bodied aircraft would be able to operate on international sector also in all weather conditions which will certainly give boost to the economy of the area. In Uttaranchal, work is likely to be taken up for upgradation of Dehradun airport for B-737/A320 type aircraftduring 2003-04 at an estimated cost of Rs.64 crores. After completion, operation of B-737/A320 type aircraft will give boost to development of tourism and economy of the area.